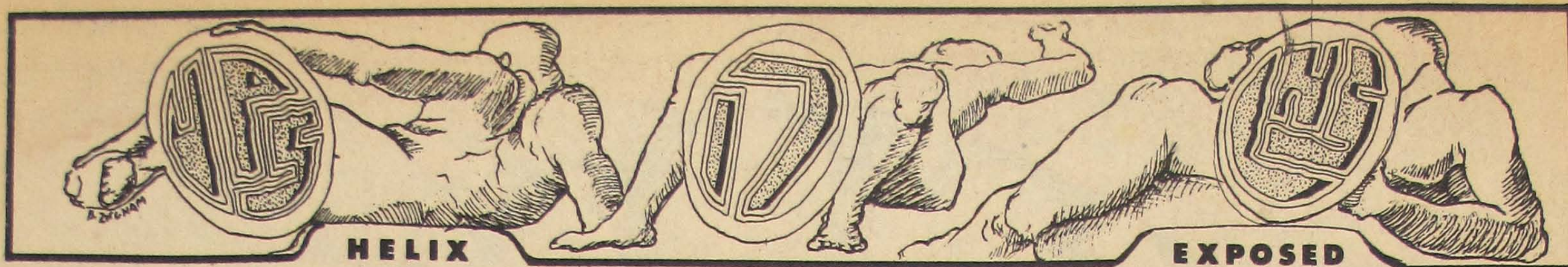




THE 20 COPY



This being the 17th issue of Helix and assuming that there must be some obscure text that testifies to that number's mystic actions we feel strangely compelled to say something about the paper.

In the eight months of our existence we have managed to increase the circulation of a 12 page tabloid of 2000 to a 16 pager of 12,000. And all of this was done with hardly any effort on our part.

(This issue runs 12 pages--not 16--because we required 2 color runs on the cover and so could not afford the additional 4 pages.)

We have also managed to accumulate a debt of about \$2000. So instead of the original \$15 you are now paying \$20.

(For the last three issues you had to pay \$25 in the stores. It's now 20 again. We put it to 25 because a certain circulation co. indicated an inordinate desire to distribute Helix to stores throughout the city. It took us an entire month of his being out of the office when we called in to learn that his enthusiasm had faltered a bit. Perhaps when he inquired of stores whether or not they would carry it, too many of them refused. Perhaps he read an issue. Perhaps. At any rate since he no longer needs to be figured in on the take we can again drop it to \$20.)

Takes. The sellers on the street get \$8 of the \$20 while those in the stores will now take \$7. The reason for the difference is that the street hucksters have to fold all their own papers and those for the stores as well. The \$8 turns out to be pretty good money. An enterprising seller can manage to sell between 600 and 700 papers in about three days. That means with tips he will "take in" something like \$60. And when the paper first comes out some can manage to sell 100 in a single hour. We thought you would like to know that.

All of our debt--except for some straggling ones left us by promoters from OCS days--is owed to the printer. A kind and sympathetic man, he makes no money off the paper. In fact, he loses some. The entire issue is run on a flatbed press. It prints only two pages at a time, costs twice as much and takes 8 times as long as the efficient Web Press. The Web will do an entire issue at one spinning, and folds them for you too. Our printer will most likely have such a web by March. Then lots of nice things will happen. We will pay him off; he will make money; we will make a little; and the paper will be expanded to 24 pages most of the time with much more color. We thought you might like to know this too.

So by this time we are something of an establishment: we have money problems, we have some kind of organization--though our inefficiency is still startling--and we even have "long range plans."

Yet for all our normality we are yet considered subversive and deeply dangerous. We may even be investigated.

Joe Pool D-Rep from the state of Texas indicated in a recent speech that "I have information that throughout the US underground newspapers will be published as a nationwide press syndicate. The purpose of these newspapers will be to slander and libel everyone who opposes these traitors in their attempts to destroy the American government." Pool's "special source of information" might have been Newsweek Magazine. Recently, they made note of a meeting in Wash. D.C. on the eve of the Oct. 21st Pentagon confrontation at which members of the Underground Press Syndicate--a loose copy sharing aggrage of about 50 papers--and representatives from a good number of college newspapers were hosted by something called the Liberation News Service...or...New Media project. As is signified on the cover we are and have been from the start of our little existence a member of the UPS, and the "something called... Liberation News Service is a highly accurate media of information whose illiterate messages you will find sequenced and credited in this issue of Helix.

The meeting whose implications so upset Pool was by all 300 "traitors" involved judged a find and prophetic gathering. We can now predict that with the generously anarchistic UPS principle of free news-lending and the information gathering of the LNS within a year's time there will be very possibly not 50 "underground" papers in North America, but one hundred. And the total circulation might well run into the millions. So being here to stay, at least for a few years, we have Congressman Pool worried.

Pool goes on. "These smut sheets are today's Molotov cocktails thrown at respectability and decency in our nation." Reviving a charge made against Socrates, Pool said that the underground papers "capitalize on the innocence and confusion of the very young." It is clear that not only has Pool not learned a thing from political history which in its best Karma is creative iconoclasm and even "dirty words", but he also seems to be repressing present history. There are, after all, real Molotov cocktails being thrown today as well.

In a twisted way, however, Pool is right. We are very interested and even involved in the "innocence and confusion of the very young." It is in this creative disorder that offers a real potential for real alternatives in peace and love. Not that sober, steady, and unconfused establishment which would keep everything moderately demure and in line. But Pool's metaphor is unlikely; the "capitalize", that is. We are finally not very interested in capitalizing on anything. Not that we are keenly interested in "communizing either, though as a metaphor and not as a political credo the latter, perhaps, works better. Finally, whether you literally suppress as a father or as a pack of brothers, it doesn't much matter.

And Pool goes on... "They know that the more obscene and dirty their newspapers are, the more they will attract the irresponsible

readers whom they want to enlist in their crusade to destroy this country." To this we will only give some very straight and by now--by reason of repetition--very weary answers. Those in power have always considered the actions of those out of power who do not conform to the measure of their insistent beat, perverse. And again and again pornography, obscenity et al are always and only in the eye of the beholder.

We can, then, safely say that Pool is both very dirty and very obscene. Of course, Pool should be granted the understanding that our culture is really both very dirty and very obscene. We can, then, I hope, be thanked for flaunting that fact in its face, and for gently reminding it and him that what they perceive as perverse might be to some of us after long nights of imaginative practice a beautiful and even holy delight.

And some more Pool. "The plan of this underground press syndicate is to take advantage of that part of the first Amendment which protects newspapers and gives them freedom of the Press."

Here is another instance of that old complaint and double-think which is today usually euphemized as the distinction between responsible and irresponsible protest. Responsible protest is by definition clearly any protest which is ineffective...as protest. It should be clearly stated that to be totally repulsed by war and oppression of any kind is a radical sentiment and will be exhibited in radical ways. Such a conscience does not experience itself as involved in the liberal "responsible" and...continuing dialogue over the sense or non-sense of war. War and warmakers are simply and clearly insane, and so the wisest of men have always understood that the majority of men are, indeed, insane. This is why they have been wise.

It was flashes of such wisdom that went into writing the Bill of Rights. D-Rep Pool should be advised that Democracy and its rights are ideally a formal container for freedom. Their existence does not insure that the contents of that container--the individual citizens--will participate in the wisdom and freedom which that form protects. It is a clear fact that they don't. Most Americans are contracted in the mutual suppression of each other. For them Freedom is a nightmare whose unlimiting substance they would have to navigate all alone. They therefore create an illusion of "freedom", which is the freedom to compete in the piling up of dollars and its convertible rubbish. The rugged individualism which this open competition is supposed to spawn is a dream-idea repeated with somnolistic anxiety by dream-egos.

There is today in this "democracy" an ironical aristocracy. It includes everyone who can clumsily be described as "hip." It is the aristocracy that is aware of the substantial wisdom and freedom that exists in our own constitution. "Hip" is clumsy and even strategically ambiguous, for the wisdom and the freedom are more potentials than realities. The point is the vision of it that exists today. So "hip" people can be expected to act "extreme", but it is, at least in public matters, an extremity that wishes to destroy itself. This is its irony. The Aristocracy wishes to turn on the sleep walkers to the free life that is awake. It insists on thinking utopian thoughts and seeing apocalyptic visions. Visions which are love-visions, third-eye incarnations of the whole man. There is no power-elite.

We are advised by the vast majority of sober Americans not to take the Pool variety of insanity too seriously. I believe that we should. This is no aberration that died with McCarthy; it is a potential that exists in the more common and more indolent public insanity.

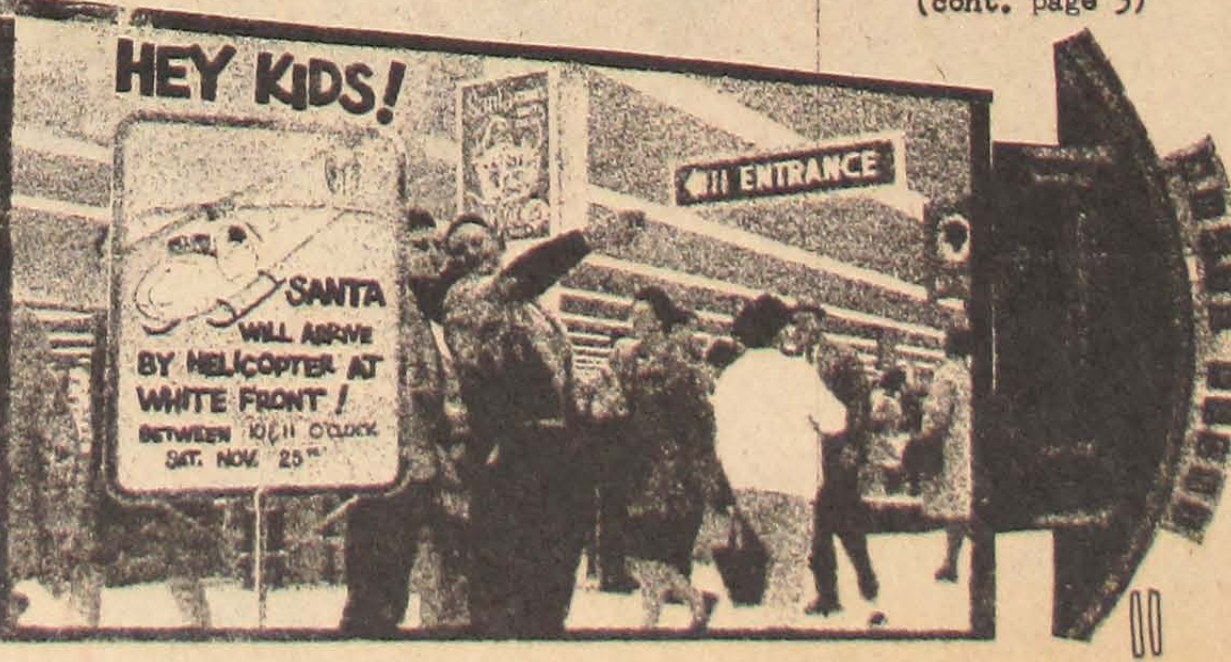
"Freedom of the Press." Pool's pressures in Dallas had the local UPS paper Notes from the Underground kicked off the MSU campus and generally harassed. In Cambridge, Mass., the mayor has effectively so "waged" war (his words) on the UPS Avatar that they have had to relocate in Boston. North in Toronto the UPS Saturday has been busted for including in a recent edition an "obscenity" which could be uncovered in any of a thousand books on local newsstand and in local libraries. The editor Mikolasch cooperated by deleting the word in question and putting in its place every time it didn't appear the word "fuzz." In Vancouver, as we have reported, the UPS Georgia Straight has had its business license revoked again by the man at the top: the Mayor. This prompted the editors to reply in their recent 4-page give away, "Press --- Freedom of, passed away suddenly Sept. 28, 1967, at city hall. No survivors. Funeral services were held Wednesday, Oct. 4, in B.C. Supreme Court Chambers. The body is dug up daily and desecrated on the street corners by the Mayor's Finest."

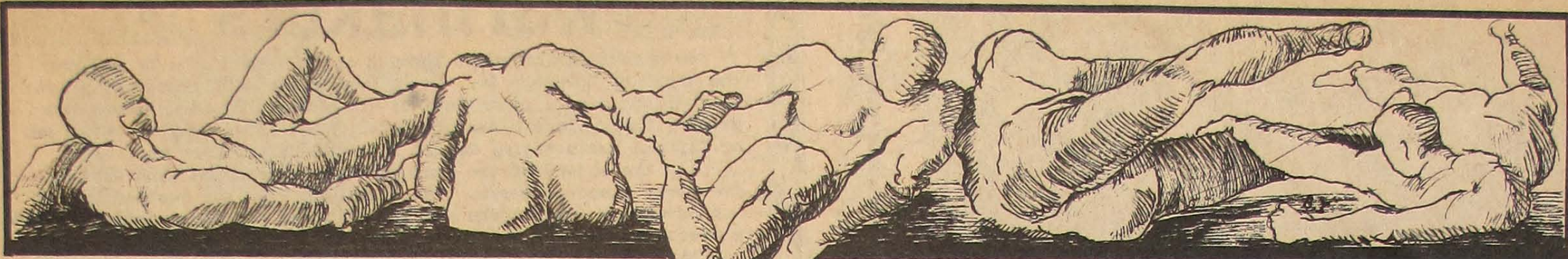
It is hoped that by now we will not be shocked that to an arbitrary and power-fascinated official the Bill-of-Rights is a hindrance and a pain. As we reported some issues back, one of our local narcs put it very well. He reflected that, "In 10 years our constitution would mean the destruction of America." And, indeed, Mr. Pool, it is that America we wish to "destroy." The America which thrives in the technological glut of its own inequities. Recently, perhaps because of our purposefully trite SUPER-COP cover certain members of the local police have been busting HELIX street dealers. One spent several days in jail after being viciously attacked from behind a plainclothesman. He was pinned to a telephone pole with his arm locked securely behind him. It was only as he was dragged to the prowl car that he discovered it was a policeman who had abducted him. His only offense was selling the paper. But not exactly. Young and frightened--or as his friend indicated, "easily panicked"--he fled. He was caught and tear-gassed;

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Credits for the info in this article ultimately belong to the federal government, but, more specifically, go to Dick Reavis in the RAG and Economic Notes (monthly, \$2 a year, 20¢ per copy, 80 East 11th St., NY, NY. 10003).

Some people have been saying that the government is completely ignoring our internal problems as it continues to pour our productivity into the backyards of Vietnam. This simply isn't true. It is true that we are about to face a radical increase in income tax. It is true that this money will finance the military industrial complex to support a war approved of by 23% of the country (latest Gallup figures). It is true that poverty and welfare programs are being drastically cut (not to mention education). But to extrapolate from this that the government is not considering internal problems necessitates blinding one's self from reality. The government is training special forces to handle riots. Special tank-like vehicles have been developed. Police have been issued helmets and spray cans of chemicals. (One can only wonder if under equal protection of the law the state shouldn't subsidize providing helmets for deprived citizens too.)

But this isn't what we are going to talk about. Who actually is paying the taxes and alternatives to an absolute shift in the tax scale are what we will discuss. In a speech on the senate floor a year ago Paul Douglas pointed out that a maid making \$55 per week would be paying more money in taxes than an oil company whose income was \$26 million a year. An Illinois professor recently revealed the case of a man that makes a million dollars a year and yet pays not one cent in income taxes.

The most frightening thing about these loopholes, some of which we will investigate shortly, is not their mere presence, nor is it their lobby-guarded perpetuation. It is the fact that most people will read statements like these without having it upset their social conscience. Most people will read it and just say that that's the way things are, and any little Negro boy who has the drive can also get into a position to take advantage of those tax loopholes. If Abraham Lincoln were alive today he'd probably run to Canada.

What percentage of your income went to the government last year? Standard of New Jersey (net income \$1,628,555,000 in '64) paid 1.7%. Texaco (net income \$660,761,000) paid 0.8%. Standard of California (net income \$393,188,000) paid 2.1%. Marathon, Atlantic, Richfield, Sinclair, and other sundry smaller companies whose incomes totaled over \$300,000,000 paid absolutely NO federal income taxes (these are U.S. Treasury Department figures). This is a result of a gimmick called the PERCENTAGE DEPLETION EXEMPTION. Under this law oil, gas, and mining companies are allowed an exemption of 27.5% of their gross income or half of their net income, whichever is less. It is based on the fact that as you produce oil you deplete your reserves in that well. That because a given well has a finite production possibility an exemption should be made for its use. Apparently the workers in this country are considered to have infinite production capabilities. Elimination of this loophole would generate \$2,500,000,000.00 in additional tax revenue.

And if that figure doesn't offend your conscience consider the better than \$5 billion lost annually due to the CAPITAL GAINS EXCLUSION. Under present tax laws capital gain from the sale of securities or other investments held over six months is (a) excluded from taxable income to the extent of one half and (b) the taxable half is taxed at not more than 50%. This little nicety guarantees a minimum tax of 25% for those that live from stock transactions and generally tends to blow completely the myth of graduated income tax. Say your income is great enough that you theoretically should be in the 90% bracket. If you make an additional \$1,000 then \$900 should go to the government, but that's a shuck because by simply receiving that gain from stocks the maximum you have to pay is \$250. General Bullmoose is alive and well under the furher.

Another gaping hole in our fictitious tax structure is the exemption of INTEREST ON TWA-FREE BONDS. Federal Bonds to finance the war, state and municipal bonds for various projects provide tax exempt interest returns. On the surface the 4 to 5% returns look somewhat low until you look at who buys them. Given an income that should put you in a 50% tax bracket, the real yield from these bonds is considerably greater. U.S. News and World Report (9/17) in an article entitled "Bargains in Bonds" showed that a person in this bracket could draw a yield of 8.6% on a New York City tax exempt bond @ 4% interest. An Oklahoma Turnpike Bond @ 4.7% interest would yield the same man 9.4% on his investment. TV Dinner by the Pool, I'm so glad I finished school. (The Mothers).

So in terms of gross national product the five biggest countries in the world, in order: United States, Soviet Union, Great Britain, General Motors, France. In fiscal '66 and '67 real profits rose quite dramatically. In those two periods average real wages declined slightly. I guess the government figures that if the people are stupid enough to support the war they are stupid enough to pay for it. They may be right.

October 3 at Fort Hood, Texas---a night of rebellion.

The scene is like this: the next day, the 198th Light Infantry Brigade is leaving for Vietnam. Many of the men in the 198th feel their combat training has been inadequate.

"They knew that going to Vietnam meant almost certain death..." said a report written later by a private stationed at Fort Hood.

By early evening October 3, Fort Hood is tense. Officially the 198th is confined to its own areas. Unofficially, its men are on the loose around the base.

Later that night a riot breaks out. (The Army hasn't yet admitted a riot ever took place.)

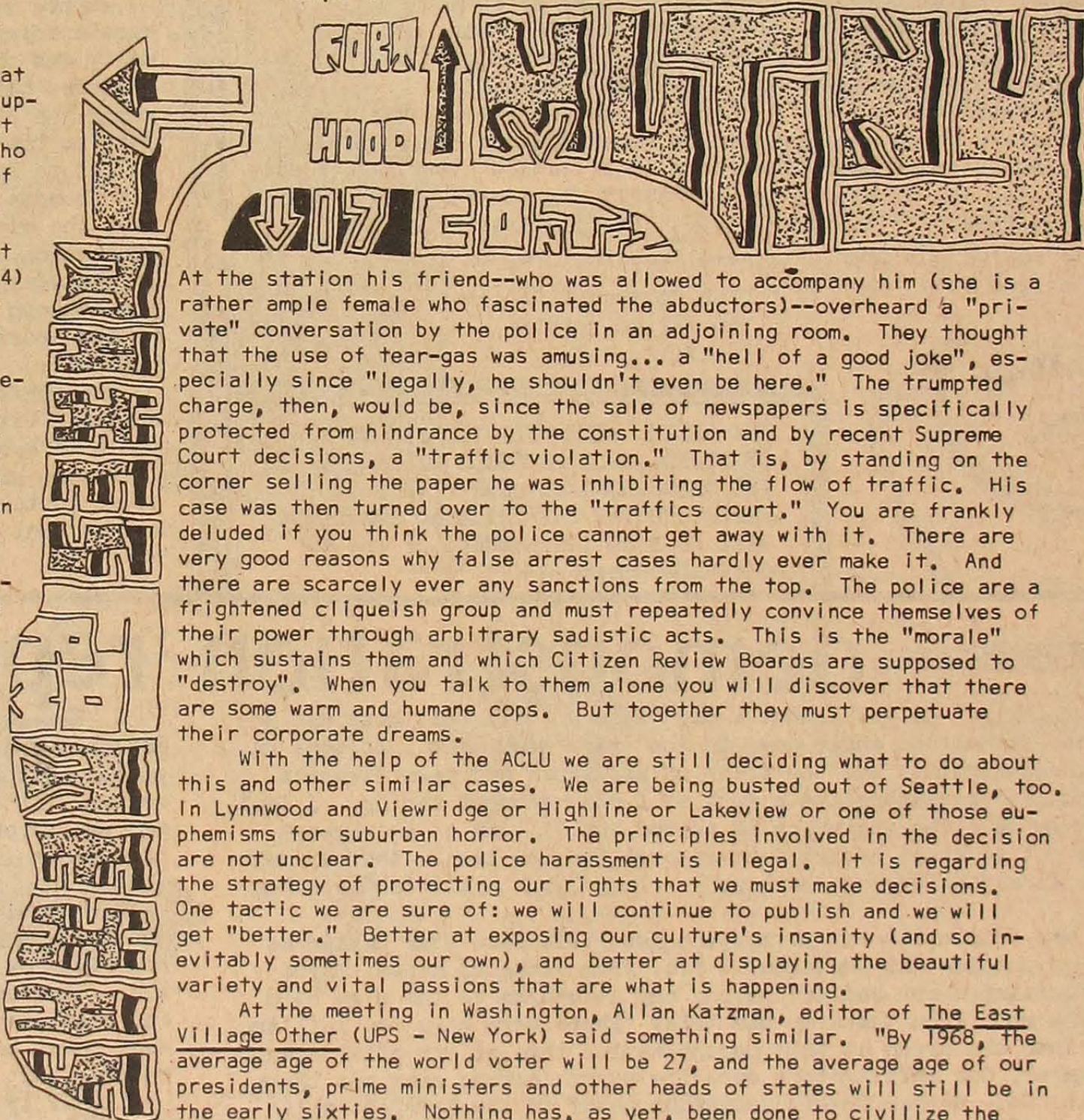
The men of the 198th tear up Fort Hood. Windows are broken, automobiles and trucks damaged, two busloads of Army men attacked.

A second lieutenant is beaten to death, according to a rumor. Damage totals \$150,000 when the riot ends.

Some of the men of the 198th (nobody knows how many or who they are) are in the stockade.

The next day, October 4, the rest of the 198th leaves for Vietnam---leaving behind \$150,000 worth of remembrances and the anonymous band of prisoners in the stockade.

"The men of the 198th Light Infantry Brigade know that they are going to die needlessly, but for them it is already too late," said the private who first disclosed the riot. "Already their advance party has been attacked and many of its men killed or wounded." (LNS)



At the station his friend--who was allowed to accompany him (she is a rather ample female who fascinated the abductors)--overheard a "private" conversation by the police in an adjoining room. They thought that the use of tear-gas was amusing... a "hell of a good joke", especially since "legally, he shouldn't even be here." The trumpeted charge, then, would be, since the sale of newspapers is specifically protected from hindrance by the constitution and by recent Supreme Court decisions, a "traffic violation." That is, by standing on the corner selling the paper he was inhibiting the flow of traffic. His case was then turned over to the "traffics court." You are frankly deluded if you think the police cannot get away with it. There are very good reasons why false arrest cases hardly ever make it. And there are scarcely ever any sanctions from the top. The police are a frightened cliquish group and must repeatedly convince themselves of their power through arbitrary sadistic acts. This is the "morale" which sustains them and which Citizen Review Boards are supposed to "destroy". When you talk to them alone you will discover that there are some warm and humane cops. But together they must perpetuate their corporate dreams.

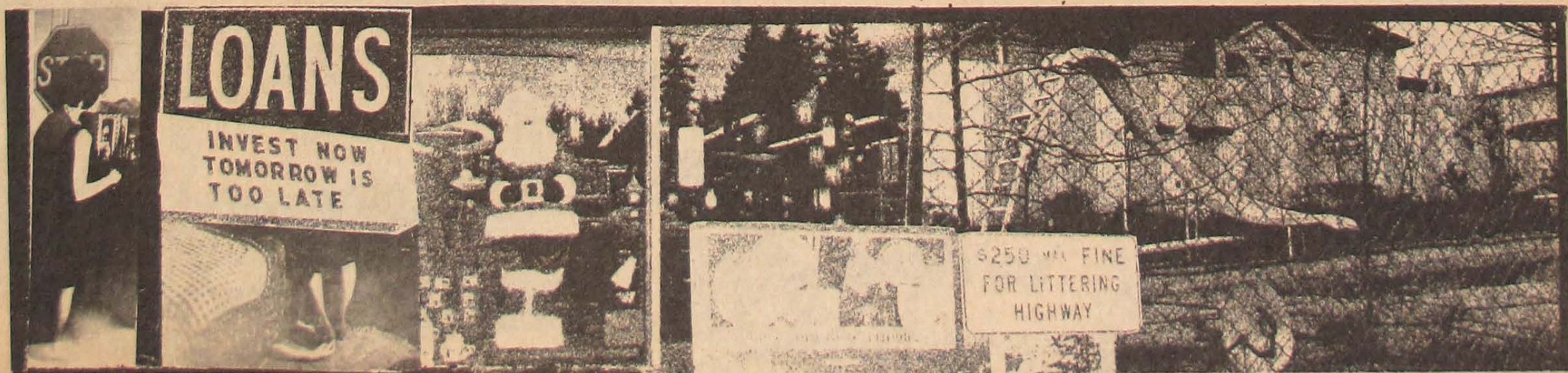
With the help of the ACLU we are still deciding what to do about this and other similar cases. We are being busted out of Seattle, too. In Lynnwood and Viewridge or Highline or Lakeview or one of those euphemisms for suburban horror. The principles involved in the decision are not unclear. The police harassment is illegal. It is regarding the strategy of protecting our rights that we must make decisions. One tactic we are sure of: we will continue to publish and we will get "better." Better at exposing our culture's insanity (and so inevitably sometimes our own), and better at displaying the beautiful variety and vital passions that are what is happening.

At the meeting in Washington, Allan Katzman, editor of The East Village Other (UPS - New York) said something similar. "By 1968, the average age of the world voter will be 27, and the average age of our presidents, prime ministers and other heads of states will still be in the early sixties. Nothing has, as yet, been done to civilize the world. But the truth is that today's youth can never be so foolish as to uphold the laws of destruction and devastation. It is not their style."

"Rather, they are more concerned with civil rights, the war in Viet Nam and poverty. Their involvement is with protecting the freedom of privacy from an encroaching totalitarian technocracy; doing away with the barbaric institutions of war; and freeing half the world from the chains of poverty and starvation."

"Everywhere, and especially in America, there is a cultural evolution taking place; an evolution that will sweep Johnson and his ilk, the gray-haired myth of the masters, into the garbage heap of obsolescence. Wisdom and time is now on the side of the young."

"It is the primary purpose of this meeting to pass along this vital information and to convince the young people of America and the world that they are not crazy or alone; that they are wiser than their elders, who persist on a political and economic path which can only lead to total destruction."





SEATTLE'S MAD-DOG ART THIEF.....

Three paintings by E. Roy Kaufman were stolen last week from the one man show at Sun Pottery & Gallery in the Market, and while we commend the culprit for his taste, the incident has serious implications.

The Sun Pottery and Gallery is one of a very few cooperative galleries in Seattle and the only one which we know that runs entirely on a non-profit basis. You've heard others state they must play games of mediocrity until assured of status and security. (If you haven't, we have.) You'll also notice that they rarely change policy...ever. This gallery wants to make great work available for viewing before it becomes history, and for sale at a really reasonable price, and survive.

The theft in effect says that prices must be raised to cover the loss and even the prospect of further loss. It is only one in a long line of harassments perpetrated by people of bad faith upon enterprises of this nature.

Leon Sarsozo who assumes financial responsibility indicated that no immediate price change would be necessary but could only shake his head solemnly when questioned about future plans.

Concerning the thief, he said "*****" "&&&&H&#&@[[[***" "&%%\$???"++##@@@cc" "*&c\$%#e@*()&c%(")(&c\$%&#%\$&c***&&"

So if you've got them, the paintings that is, be a nice thief and send them back.

Sun Pottery & Gallery
83 1/2 Lower Pike
Seattle, Wash.



THE HELIX WILL SELL TICKETS TO THE SF SOUND...ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO THE CRASH HOUSE.. THE FIVE POUND SMILE AND THE TRYPISICORD MUSIC BOX WILL PLAY ON THE WEEKEND OF THE *8* & *9* December

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warmakers

The demonstration swept through all the land of myth and neon the night of November 14. Cops, busted heads, sirens, and a lot of confused people coming out of those stale Broadway shows and getting their minds blown absolutely free after they'd wasted ten or fifteen bucks trying to get high the Walter Kerr way.

Only the object of the demonstration missed the mind blowing. Everybody else was there. The good Dean Rusk was hustled in and out of a back door at the New York Hilton. Between hustles he made a speech to the Foreign Policy Association (FPA).

FPA? Founded one week after the Russian Revolution. Some of its members:

Charlie Engelheart, a big man in a company which controls 28 per cent of South America's gold production, 22 per cent of its uranium, 43 per cent of its coal, 57 per cent of its copper, and about 99 1/2 per cent of its diamonds.

Ellsworth Bunker, Yankee envoy-type in Saigon, special ambassador to OAS, big stockholder in National Sugar Refining Corp. and (incidentally?) Special Emissary to the Dominican Republic during the crisis there. The Dominican Republic is a major sugar producer.

Georgie Brown, of Brown & Root Construction Co., for details of which see "Building Lyndon Johnson," RAMPARTS, this month. Brown and Root has a big, big piece of the billion-dollar-plus contracts for building bases in Vietnam.

Roswell Gilpatric, who, while Deputy Secretary of Defence, helped Bobby the Mac make up his mind about the TFX, which masquerades as a military aircraft when it isn't crashing. (LNS)

acid test

Bremerton's underground paper, The Acid Test, heretofore printed via ditto and distributed almost solely on the Olympic College campus, is to be expanded. It will be printed by mimeo and distributed throughout the entire area.

In the meantime, the defenders of the status quo continue to hassle anyone guilty of being a "dangerous influence." Latest casualty was the Exchange Book Store, the only outlet for the Helix posters, buttons, etc. This store was managed by the imaginative young son of the absentee owner. Unfortunately, he was too subject to the considerable pressures of the local police. They pointed out to him that as an ex-con on parole he was likely to lose his freedom by acting like a free man. No one who is conversant with the situation of the parolees in this state can blame him for succumbing. Plans are being made to open a new outlet.

The administration of Olympic College, meanwhile, was showing its concern for academic freedom, by denying permission to speak to the presidential candidate of the Socialist Worker's Party, Fred Halstead.

The ferment of recent weeks has shown that the Establishment of Shipyard City will no longer have things all its own way. But it won't be easy.

Anyone with anything to contribute to the Acid Test is urged to do so (articles, stories, poems, labor, money, etc.). Inquiries may be sent to Gary Titus, 321 Lafayette Ave., Bremerton.

--Gary Craig

demonstration reprisals

"I was thinking, by gosh, what a big clean-up bill this city was going to face. It must be ankle deep in the trash they left...to some extent that demonstration was the fruit of affluence and permissiveness... It was about as unconstructive a work as I can remember seeing. I feel boiling up in me a feeling which is shared by millions of Americans--- that we've got to start having more respect for the law---that we must start more firmly enforcing the law." --Lady Bird on the Pentagon Dem.

---Who was that white cat waving the "No Vietnamese Ever Called Me Nigger" sign outside the Pentagon? A Pfc. from Jackson, maybe? Maybe he was memorizing faces and not paying any attention to the sign he'd grabbed. The word from the Army was this: "There were more men infiltrated by us into the crowd at this demonstration than at any other event I can remember. Our infiltrators were the worst looking ones out there." Who said it? Col. George Creel, assistant chief of the Army's Public Information Office. He gave the word later to a class at George Washington University.

---Seven demonstrators still were in the D. C. jail last month. Life for them in the D. C. jail went on for them something like this: Lois Levitan, 18, of Chicago, jailed for failure "to move on" at the command of a U. S. Marshal, "was choked, dragged by her hair and disrobed from the waist up by five guards, who were placing her in the 'hole'...." (Quotes from Liberation News Service) Sheila Ryan, who wasn't a demonstrator at the Pentagon but was serving a 6 month term for sitting at the White House during the Selma crisis, made a gesture expressing solidarity with the Pentagon prisoners. She was dragged down a hallway and kicked severely. Then she too was put in the "hole"... Six days later a doctor examined her for the first time for her complaints of internal injury. She still is suffering from a back injury resulting from the kicking.



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them artists never pay their bills - too busy giving.

Thanks for all the people old & new the happy as they can be most of all

half a rare dead cow on a pole each of us cut off a piece on more we gather together ZIG-ZAG such a place as we are driven with old furniture clothes the newest of thats strange new drugs circulating logical juices this is the shelter of the proud birds with the golden tails we can tell everyone just where it is so they will move us out of our country all I can say is the beautiful thing goes by so fast already this is Saturday

the work of those who produce it--one Feast three months in Leon's head away from making pots--we always speak of THE INCREDIBLE HASSLES--the work starts up today they're cleaning out the Zig-Zag--lots of Xmas shoppers going by, the door still locked--I'm here today hassling again the day being two days over--back up, back up, start again--waiting to pick up photos from David hassling & picking the brain of Aaron the note on the door says back at three

down the whole from the Rice Bowl Cafe past the men's room, down this tube once again or up from Western past Cisco's junk palace--the whole thing hangs from the side of the hill like the giant walk--thru aviaries in the San Diego Zoo--this place the we it happens to call THE MARKET--with the more well known slant of meats fruits vegetables--IT HAS BEEN A FEAST ALL ALONG--remembering from Thursday remember all the faces many are gone--like Dave the Printer who taught me techniques of terrorism one morning over breakfast after all nite turning out posters--many are new--seen before as last years street mob in the district--what weird ways to be happy--the breaking machines & pots & voices & hearts continue to be ours--what-ever we are

sitting here in the Rice Bowl again it's snowing in Husky Stadium says the kid to the other--what was it like day before yesterday?--the place only a small importance--a possible scene without money--do geniuses need to eat?--generality of humans so strung out it's a hi thing to say "If you cut me I bleed" always happens at the hi point, of course, of course this is an impossible scene that ran on heart no help from you name it--a few assholes proved themselves last spring are opening up galleries on Capital Hill--you dont even have to go as far as San Francisco to hear how they used to love us when they knew--nothing happens in this town the Quaker Mafia! Cp coalition doesnt back up--buy a trip from hell past the corner of 23rd & E John SFO Art Posters Inc and back to Madrong up side of the hell-kids came to the Market too only got hauled off to high school jail war.

but we cant get so hi as to forget--flash of knife--gentle Barbara hit over the head--most of proceeds off down the alley under the arm of someone made into an "assailant"--cops arrive to mill around--them artists never pay their bills--too busy

I THINK IN TERMS OF A MERRY CHRISTMAS FOR LEON & BARBARA & ALL THE OTHERS good people it's time to stop getting all our highs from attending to our enemies let that end of it wither away & it becomes necessary to celebrate what we are about.

now the time of the writing comes in--has to--just like the time of the thinking & the doing--he says "I decided to become a target because there was no other thing to do"

LEON is leaving town--he said we consumed Vietnamese meat the day before yesterday--we now have that power in our blood--I keep hoping all you hi people will understand & now are just too busy

I want to tell you I am happy & it is simple--the Market, whatever, lives, as such cannot be "saved"--from correct leadership in art follows total head bod savage human enliten kingdom of great peace--the party a party--my child my crone you may take together (at least) AT LEAST!!! ed smith



Hershey Says He'll Get Tough on Draft

BY B. DRUMMOND AYERS JR.
The New York Times

WASHINGTON — The director of the Selective Service, Lt. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, said last night that his agency had decided to "live up to the letter" of the draft laws and to induct or aid in the prosecution of persons who violate them.

The decision, in the most obvious case, could result in the drafting of students or other young persons who hold deferments but who participate in anti-war demonstrations that are adjudged to interfere with Selective Service.

HERSHEY, WHO HAS headed the Selective Service for a quarter of a century, recently sent a letter to draft boards throughout the country in which he recommended that steps be taken in the future to insure the enforcement of draft statutes.

The Selective Service laws provide penalties for "any person who shall knowingly hinder or interfere or attempt to do so in any way by force or violence or otherwise" with the operations of the draft.

Generally speaking, the punishment for such interference for persons with a draft obligation is placement at the top of the draft list, where speedy induction is virtually certain.

For persons with no draft obligations—women, for instance—there is the normal course of court prosecution.

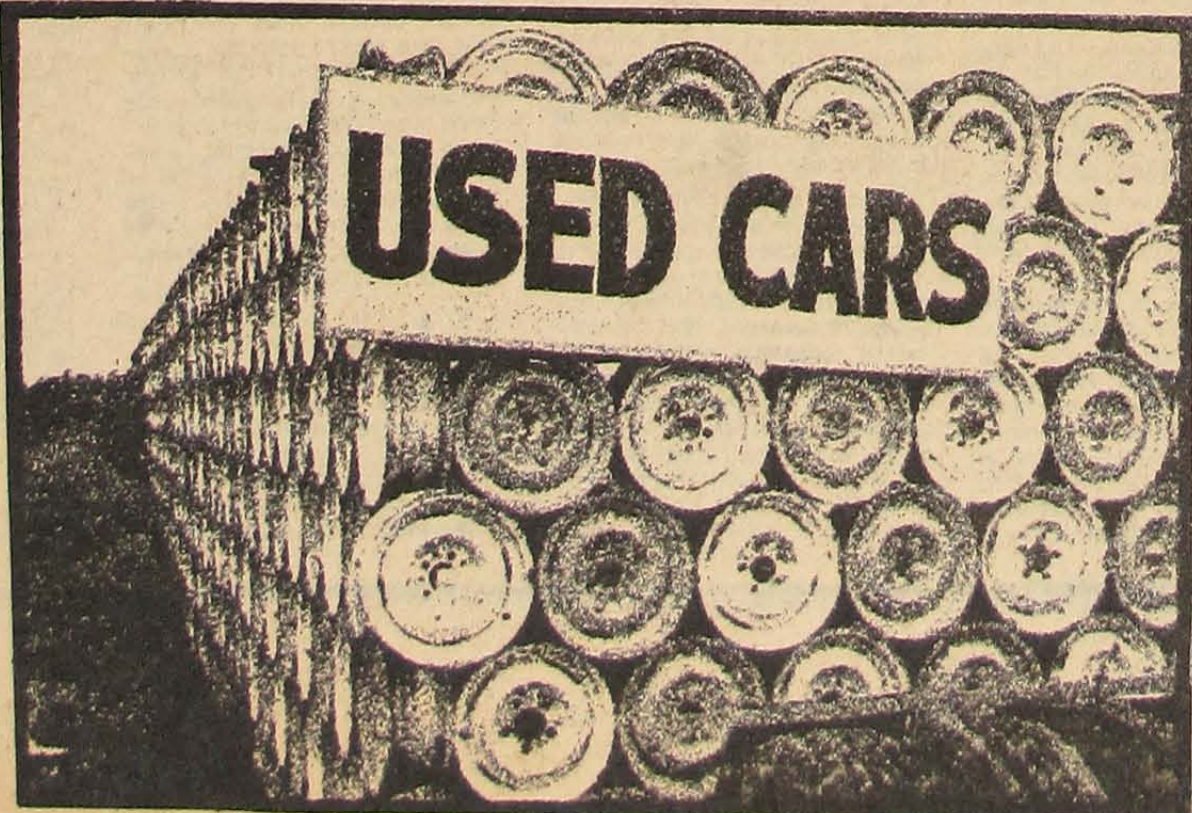
SS Chief Reported Alive

THE WEST German government's Central Office for Nazi War Crimes said yesterday it has received information indicating that former Gestapo Chief Heinrich Mueller is still living and in hiding. (AP Photo.)

The strange mating above -- run recently by the PI -- is not so strange. Lt. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, director of SS (selective service) is not SS (Gestapo chief Heinrich Mueller hiding by another name in the Pentagon. It is the spectre that is the same.

Hershey's literal -- live up to the letter -- interpretation of his draft laws has already on one occasion been judged "unconstitutional." The US Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit pronounced His actions in 1965 against sitdown students at Michigan U. as "a violation of the 1st amendment." The court thereupon ordered the draft boards to rescind the reclassification ordered by Hershey. Defence and Justice Department attorneys agree. Nevertheless Hershey has again recommended to the draft boards that draft registrants be declared delinquents and inducted if they actively oppose the draft, regardless of any deferments they may have had. He has indicated that he does not care if the Justice department does not support him.

This attitude of defiance is, in terms of the law, more serious than any violation that draft protesters may make in otherwise expressing their constitutionally protected right of free speech. By now we must certainly be judged naive if we fail to understand that when militarists dont like the way civilians run the government they can be expected to take actions which will violate the rights of those citizens. In totally insance circumstances, like those involving Mueller, they can be expected to slaughter millions of them. And Heinrich loved animals and children too.



DATE DRUGS THE LAW FROM JOURNAL OF FREEDOM DRUGS DR. ALPERT

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About a month ago I was lying in the bathtub at my apartment in New York, at about 2 a.m., and the phone rang. Carolyn said it was a girl on the phone, and she was quite upset and she brought the phone to the tub and I got on the phone. The girl said that her brother had "flipped out" and he wanted to get a doctor, and she was scared, and he was going to kill himself or somebody else, and at the moment he was in the bathtub. He was in San Mateo and I was in New York. Well, his phone cord reached to his bathtub, and we entered into this quite extraordinary interchange, which started with -

"I'm going to go out and do something to somebody or to myself," and I said,

"Well, then we have no reason to talk - why don't you just go do it?" He said,

"I think I'm going crazy." And I said,

"Are you crazy or aren't you?"

It got to the point where we both got candles into the bathroom, and we went into the candle flame and then about 35 minutes later we were both laughing so hard, and we had both warmed up the tubs and he said,

"This is costing a lot of money," and I said,

"Well, it's not costing as much as an hour of psychotherapy would cost. It's only a dollar for every three minutes after nine."

Now I got an interesting letter last week from the sister. She told me how wonderful I was, and what it was like after when they all gathered by the fire and talked into the night, and what a beautiful experience her brother had had and how he didn't know who he had talked to on the phone, but it was great and so on. And then she said,

"Before I called you, I called the family doctor and his answering service answered and said 'he wasn't there but they would send somebody else, and while you were talking to my brother the doorbell rang and a doctor was at the door, and he introduced himself, and said 'I'm Dr. So and So and behind him stood a policeman, and the doctor said, 'We understand there is an LSD psychopath loose here,' and she said 'it must have been a joke, there is nobody like that here,' and that was the end of that. This happened about three weeks ago."

I was on a panel with Sidney Cohen a few days ago at U.C.L.A. and I told this story, and he said, "Well of course there are examples of times when people use words to bring somebody else down." And I pointed out to Sidney that not only didn't I bring the other guy down, but he clearly brought me up. Because by the end of the phone conversation I had what is known in the trade as a "contact high."

I start with this story to distinguish the difference in approach and in opinion and perception if you will, of category behavior that we've been talking about. It suddenly dawned on us about four or five years ago after we noticed LSD had been labelled a psychomimetic and had been used for ten years to study psychiatry previous to the late 1950's, that in our country there were only two uses for chemicals you would ingest. You either took them because you were sick, or you took them because you were sick - in the other sense - you were out for kicks, which in the protestant ethic culture is sick. Now that makes it very difficult to consider how you deal with the laws of the land because they don't even recognize your existence.

Recently I testified before the California Legislative Committee on Drugs, with Dr. Forte and the rest of the team - we all do the circuit these days - I'm getting into a much better class of place, I want you to know, the middle class is buying it - and I started out by saying, Gentlemen, I've taken LSD or another one of these things we call psychedelics, which means mind-manifesting technically, I have taken them some 300 times or more, and I do not believe I have taken them primarily because I'm sick, nor primarily because what I want is kicks, what you mean primarily by kicks. And I am here, and I present myself to you, and if you decide that I am psychotic you will understand about the drugs, and otherwise I may present some kind of a case for you to consider. And as you know, at the end of the panel, two of the legislators came out into the hall to give me their calling cards.

In 1962 we went down to see Mr. Larrimer, who was then head of the Food And Drug Administration and we presented to him the dilemma we were in. We saw that here were some chemicals that were important in a social sense, far broader than merely their medical or therapeutic use or for the use of merely kicks. Mr. Larrimer pointed out that, if we were to apply for a new drug application, we either had to suggest that a chemical such as LSD go into the category of a prescription chemical, to be sold by prescription only, or over the counter. Neither of those we found to be particularly palatable, because it seemed to us that doctors were not uniquely trained to handle matters of the soul and/or necessarily creativity and so on.

So while we certainly agreed that a doctor could administer and be present - the idea of medical decisions as to who should take it and who shouldn't and why - we didn't feel was appropriate. We had not delegated to the medicine men in our society this particular privilege. Then he said there was another category called limited licensing. We found that this was used with radioisotopes, and what it would allow was the government to sponsor centers. These would be licensed centers, and we suggested that they make it available, have government control, and let us supply guides at this center, and let any responsible citizen, for whatever reason he chose, come and explore his consciousness under supervision. We pointed out that well over 70 per cent of the people who used psychedelics are not criminals, nor are they criminally inclined, nor are they particularly desirous of breaking the law. Any placing them in the category of rebellious youth was irresponsible on the part of the government, and unless they did set up some positive channels of exploration they were, indeed, forcing the underground and the black market. And the Food and Drug Administration did nothing.

So the situation went on, and Sandoz got pretty freaked because hundreds of people were writing in - on professional letterheads, saying send me LSD, Psilocybin, etc. Doctors were writing in saying you're an irresponsible drug house to be doing this and they were a medical pharmaceutical house. See, this beautiful guy in Switzerland had turned on and had, by the way, a great religious experience, although in the Sandoz literature it doesn't come through quite in that way. Now they were in a tough dilemma, and they asked the government for further legislation, and they set up a deal whereby the government would take over who would get it. No longer would Sandoz decide this - and that was entering into collusion actually, as far as I am concerned, between Sandoz and the United States government, in view of the laws.

All of it went along very quietly, with just sort of an increase in the black market not so dramatic, and then it started to blow sky high. I think one of the biggest instigators was Ken Keasy, with the acid test. I think that forced public attention, and it was a strategy of enlightenment now, and it led to Larry Schiller doing the LIFE article, and a whole series of acts which finally led to a panic throughout the country. There were these large orgies going on, and people were killing themselves, and the papers built the case very dramatically as has been pointed out. And the new laws went into effect in the States, while the Federal government left it alone.

It is all very realistic that LSD is completely uncontrollable. It cannot be controlled at the level of the user, or at the level of the pusher to the user. This is because it is infinitely more difficult to detect than marijuana, and there is no evidence that the Treasury Department, with its highly dramatic techniques and many undercover agents, has ever been able to do anything but help prices in the marijuana market stay up. There are literally thousands and thousands of tons of marijuana that come into the United States every year, and it is a very unrealistic situation. LSD is even harder to control, and if you look at the control situation it boils down to who controls the raw material - the lysurgic acid. The United Nations got into the matter last year, and asked that there be world control of lysergic acid. They did this, by the way, at the request of the United States government.

Then it boils down to who controls this market, and in the world market, money still speaks - at least equally as loud as the United Nations, so I think it is unlikely that the black market is going to disappear in the United States. As you know, enough LSD for the entire population for one month can be smuggled in a cigarette package. There are certain unrealistic pictures that the government has, that it should be disavowed in order to come up with some reasonable approach to the picture.

First of all, it has a picture of pushers as seemingly being very bad people. While we don't point out that the rum runners of yesterday are the magnates of Schenleys, etc., today, and the leading humanitarians who build huge wings at Mt. Sinai Hospital and so on - forgetting that argument, it turns out that many of the people who sell LSD do so because they believe it is of social significance, and while they take out enough to live, usually, they don't milk the market for all that it's worth...And in a way, it is really passed from human contact to human contact and your connection is usually somebody you know, rather than somebody you meet on a street corner, although that's something that certainly does happen quite often.

The government doesn't understand the motivation of the pusher. These pushers are not really the bad guys - but if the government is going to stomp them out, it must know at least who they are and why they work, and the fact is the government doesn't understand why they work. Furthermore, consider the attempt of the states to impose stronger laws. What this will do is push a lot of the pushers out of business, that is, a lot of guys who would like a lot of people to have a good journey will be afraid, because of the penalties imposed on the pushers, and they will drop out of the picture which will then lead to it being taken on as another product by the Syndicate. It is that close, by the way. There are approaches and discussions and this does go on. This is all real.

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"... the emperor himself, though he still retained the obedience, gradually lost the esteem, of his subjects. The dress and manners which, towards the decline of his life, he chose to affect, served only to degrade him in the eyes of mankind."

From the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire by Edward Gibbon Vol. I, p. 562
Above photo and quote is from the new book: Decline and Fall (paper) By Roger Price and Edward Gibbon. Published by Random House, New York, 1967. \$1.95

THE COMING RACE



"After the war, too, we shall demand our 'place in the sun' in China. This demand will not, however, take the form of territorial acquisitions. Germany will pursue no 'policy of might' in China. What Germany must insist upon is that the richly hopeful Chinese market remain open to her on the 'open-door' principle, the same as to others. China is the land of the future for world trade and commerce, and Germany will not allow her way to activity in this field to be barred."

"There will be a struggle after the war to see who builds China's railroads, erects her manufactories, works her mines, and regulates her rivers—a struggle in which the cleverest nation will win, and the competition will be extremely sharp. It will not be waged by individual firms as of old, but by great combines of capital, like the American International Corporation. We must meet like with like, and the time has now come for the Government to confer with individual enterprise with a view to girding ourselves for the coming race."

ON THE VALUE

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LITTLE PARANOIA

A 20-year-old youth was arrested on Nov. 10th in the University District. That night he invited officers to search him for possession of drugs. The Man said they found what appeared to be a marijuana cigarette in his shirt pocket. They quoted the boy as saying: "My Gosh, I forgot I had one!"

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Americans are more than 95 billion dollars in debt. Of that debt more than 13 billion in interest and other financial charges will be paid. Under the present Washington State law, creditors can garnish all but \$35 of a married worker's wage (all but \$50 if he has three children) if he fails to pay his debts. Big companies aid the retailers by firing a worker when he is garnished for the second time. The only recourse for a man unable to earn more than \$50 per week is to declare bankruptcy. Washington's bankruptcy rate is 130 per 100,000; the national average is 72.

According to the law, it is "immoral" to "commit" debt and yet retailers are given every encouragement to "commit" credit by enabling him to give credit to anyone with a job, to advertise the dubious joys of monthly installment, and to crush any worker who fails to make his payments.

So if they send you a credit card in the mail (Firstbank Cards and etc. are sent out wholesale and indiscriminantly) rip it up, burn it up, melt it. If you use it at all you will wind up by paying 18% interest, 5% to cover use by crooks, and 6% to cover the charges on uncollected accounts...and when you can't pay they'll come and get you and lock you in the debtor's prison or send you to Antarctica to saw blocks of ice and if you think they can't do it baby, you better think again.

A Washington Post society columnist described a kind of demonstration this week, one that took place at the engagement party thrown for Lynda Bird Johnson on Friday night in a Georgetown night club: "Lynda's engagement party made a big night of it for Georgetown. The crowd lined up across M street and cars slowed down to watch the photographers give the Tavern a Hollywood aura."



"Indoors all was gay and glamorous as the guests, spanning all ages, dined on poached filet of sole with cardinal sauce, capon with ham, wild rice and asparagus, green salad and pineapple soufflé with strawberries and whipped cream."

Even the President and First Lady attended their daughter's engagement celebration for 40 minutes.

Brother-in-law Patrick, with the expertise of one who has been through it all before, toasted the couple, thanking the Johnson's "for the two most wonderful and understanding girls in the country -- Lynda and Luci."

At her shower next afternoon, Lynda Bird "was smart in a white culotte dress, brown patent leather shoes and bag and brown textured stockings," and, according to Evening Star columnist Ymelda Dixon, "Luci Nugent was gay in bright canary yellow," the perfect color.

Lady Bird, according to Ymelda, "had to dash off to join her husband for the matinee performance of 'Hello Dolly.'" Despite the joy of "Dolly," said Ymelda, "it must have been a wrench for the loving mother to leave the pile of presents stacked in the drawing room unopened."



Nevertheless, Lynda did open her presents, ranging all the way from peignoirs to mini-slips. Mrs. Robert McNamara drew rave notices from Ymelda, as she "ingeniously wrapped her gift, a nightgown, in a kitchen towel which had a picture of the White House on it."



he who meddles in a quarrel not his own

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HELMETS CRACKED

Judge Bill Lewis of Seattle Municipal Court set civil liberties back to the dark ages in his recent ruling on motorcycle helmet test case. The judge said it is not only a right but the duty of the state to enact and enforce laws which protect the citizen from himself. This kind of thinking justifies the restriction of personal liberty in all areas, making individual freedom subservient to some HIGHER GOOD. The ACLU has contested the decision and will carry it to Superior Court. This decision in no way influences the Court of Judge Soukup who recently ruled in favor of the individual right to choose in matters which concern only himself. (See last issue of the Helix.)

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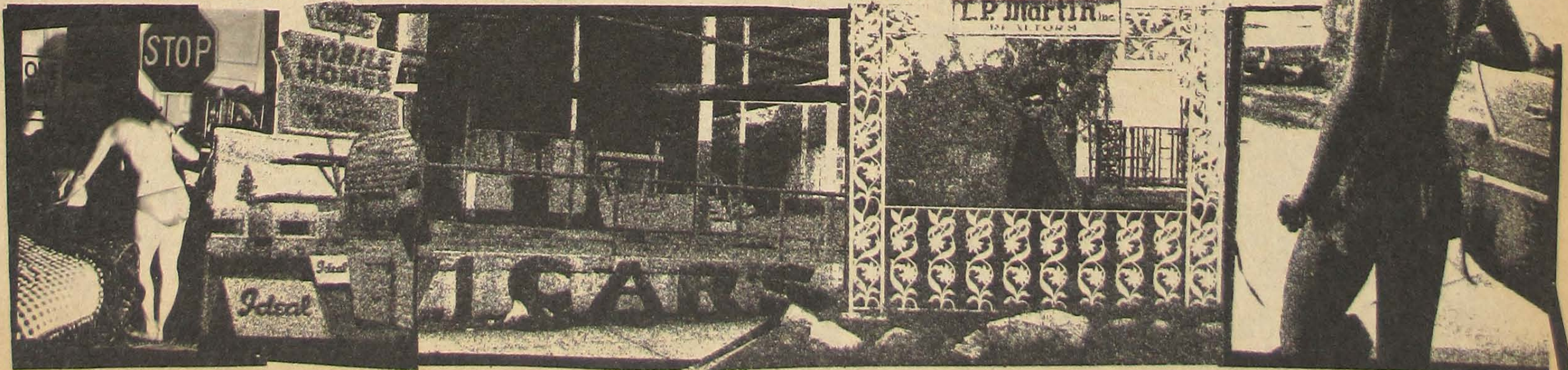
Students believe agreements recently made between the Brazilian Education Ministry and the U.S. Agency for International Development will just about exclude political activity on the campus. They also protest the imposition of a foreign style in Brazilian education and the infiltration of American foundations.

Organized by groups long ago declared illegal and subversive by the right-wing military government which took power in 1964, the demonstration began with speeches and ended with the blockading of one of Rio's major downtown avenues by a massive traffic jam.

One of the most effective weapons used in the demonstration was a small bottle cap-and-nail device which caused flat tires to vehicles passing over it.

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It seems to me that the lines are being drawn, (a) across generations, which is unfortunate but true, because of vested interest and establishment, and (b) there are clearly lines drawn between people who have had some kind of experience where they break out of their own absolute reality and those who haven't. Drugs are not the key. The key is how conscious you were -- that's where the lines are going to be drawn and in a battle between the more conscious and the less conscious it is (a) first of all, the resiliability of the more conscious to cut through the paranoia so that we cut through that "we"/"them" distinction and find that way with any other person in which they are us. When I met Mr. Finletter, head of the Drug Abuse Control division of the FDA in Washington, and we went out in the corridor -

"Mr. Finletter, you have a very friendly looking face and I know we are on opposites of the team, but I think it would be great if you and I could just talk together as fellow human beings. I think that would be wonderful."

We sat down and talked for an hour and at no time did we get into the "will you, and your people!" It wasn't like that at all. And that's the game -- the game which has nothing to do with revolution - I really believe it's an evolutionary game. And that it really is the issue between more, and less, consciousness and it redefines what psychosis is, redefines what education is, what the whole social fabric is. The social fabric moves from the individual, competitive, achievement-oriented, survival-oriented games to basically a collaborative human endeavor. And if there is one thing that the people who have been having LSD have, no matter how screwed up they are on Sunset Strip, somewhere inside I really deeply see (and this is my own psychosis - I take drugs) hope replacing cynicism - which is a very dramatic thing in 1967.



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